

Dear Parents,

The Summer Reading program at Forman is built around the belief that reading over the summer is fundamentally important to maintaining and building students' reading comprehension and critical thinking skills. Additionally, the Summer Reading program presents us with the opportunity to nurture a love of reading amongst our students.

The Summer Reading list has been created with a focus on contemporary fiction and nonfiction, with the specific intent of offering high interest, accessible selections.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

Choosing the Books:

Students who are enrolled in Honors English classes in the fall must read at least two selections from the list, and all other students must read at least one. The list is organized by genre this year, and students may pick any title, regardless of what grade they will be entering in the fall.

The link below contains descriptions of each book to help you make your choice:
<http://formanlibrary.wikispaces.com/summerreading2010>

Completing a Project:

This year, we are asking students to create a project that reflects their engagement with and understanding of the book they've read. This project must be completed over the summer. Students have many options, including creating a book trailer or poster, a video, a new book cover, or an artistic representation (through drawing, paint, collage or sculpture) of the book. Specific guidelines, information and rubrics, as well as the Summer Reading list, are included with this letter.

Our goal is that these student-created book projects will be used to promote these books to other students throughout the school year.

Have a wonderful summer and enjoy reading!

Sincerely,

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